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Article Number: 7006-2760-0000-8645-5246

Mr. Dave Elias Superintendent Landfill and Wastewater Division City of Iowa City 4366 Napoleon Street SE Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Re: CERCLA Off-Site Rule: <u>Affirmative Determination</u> of Acceptability for Iowa City Landfill and Recycling Center, 3900 Hebl Avenue SW, Iowa City, Iowa 52246

Dear Mr. Elias:

This letter serves to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has made an affirmative determination of acceptability for the receipt of off-site waste at the Iowa City Landfill and Recycling Center (Iowa City Landfill) in Iowa City, Iowa. Pursuant to Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR) Section 300.440(a)(4), EPA has completed an initial assessment of Iowa City Landfill and finds Iowa City Landfill acceptable for the receipt of off-site waste. Such off-site wastes are defined as wastes generated as a result of activities authorized or funded by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

On September 22, 1993, EPA amended the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), 40 CFR Part 300, by adding Section 300.440, now known as the Off-Site Rule. The rule implements and codifies the requirements contained in CERCLA Section 121(d)(3), and incorporates many provisions of the November 13, 1987, OSWER Directive (No. 9834.11), known as the Off-Site Policy. The Off-Site Rule establishes the criteria and procedures for determining if facilities are acceptable for the off-site receipt of CERCLA waste, and outlines the actions affected by the standard. The Off-Site Rule requires that prior to a facility's initial receipt of CERCLA waste, EPA shall determine if there are relevant releases or relevant violations at the facility.



EPA corresponded with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) to determine Iowa City Landfill's compliance with applicable environmental standards. The results of the correspondence indicate that Iowa City Landfill is currently in compliance with applicable environmental standards. Therefore, effective upon receipt of this letter, Iowa City Landfill is acceptable to receive CERCLA off-site waste at the facility described above. Should any new information affecting this determination develop, EPA reserves the right to revisit this decision.

By issuing this notice, EPA is in no way authorizing Iowa City Landfill to undertake any waste management practice at this facility for which Iowa City Landfill has not been previously authorized by EPA or IDNR.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Deborah Bredehoft, Regional Off-Site Contact, Region 7, at (913) 551-7164.

Sincerely,

Donald Toensing, Branch Chief

Waste Enforcement and Material Management Branch

Air and Waste Management Division

Mr. Cal Lundberg, Chief, Contaminated Sites Section cc: Iowa Department of Natural Resources